



Blue Grass Chemical Agent-
Destruction Pilot Plant

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MEDIA ADVISORY

Date Set for Chemical Weapons Destruction Facility Media Day

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Members of the media are invited to the Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant (BGCAPP) on **Oct. 27, 2015**, to mark construction completion of the main plant that will destroy chemical weapons at the Blue Grass Army Depot (BGAD) near Richmond, Kentucky. News reporters, photographers and videographers are invited to tour the buildings, gather photographs and b-roll and interview project leaders. Attendees will also learn about next steps for the project.

WHO: Jeff Brubaker, Site Project Manager, BGCAPP

Doug Omichinski, Project Manager, Bechtel Parsons Blue Grass (BPPG)

WHAT: BGCAPP Construction Complete Media Day

WHEN: Oct. 27, 2015, 9:45 a.m. – 5 p.m. (an opportunity for live shots for television news outlets will be available from 5 – 6 p.m.)

WHERE: Media day will begin and end at the BGCAPP office in the Richmond Mall, 830 Eastern Bypass, Ste. 106, Richmond, KY 40475. Transportation to and from the plant will be provided.

BACKGROUND: BGCAPP will safely and efficiently destroy a stockpile of chemical weapons currently in storage at BGAD. In July 2015, the project reached substantial construction complete status on the main plant with several construction punch-list items scheduled to be finished in the next several weeks. The project will mark construction complete by the end of October. BGCAPP has now transitioned into the systemization phase. This phase consists of testing of the physical plant, developing standard operating procedures and hiring and training of operations staff. Following systemization, the plant will ramp up to operations. Destruction of nerve agent is scheduled to begin in 2020 and end in 2023.

The Static Detonation Chamber, an explosive destruction technology, will augment the main plant to destroy mustard projectiles in the Blue Grass stockpile. Construction of this facility is ongoing and operations are scheduled to begin in 2017.

For further information about BGCAPP, visit www.peoacwa.army.mil/bgcapp/. More detailed information about this event will be available in the coming weeks. For questions, contact Mark York, BPPG communications manager, at (859) 625-1291.

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